

### **EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT**

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Arthur Reginelli on 9/13/10.

The application has been amended as follows:

In the 3<sup>rd</sup> line of claim 1 between the terms "reactants" and "that", the language "in a mix head at a pressure of about 1800 psi to 2400 psi" has been inserted.

In the 5<sup>th</sup> line of claim 1, the term "a" between the terms "in" and "mix" has been deleted and replaced with "said".

The dependency of claim 30 has been changed by deleting "42" and replacing it with "1".

The dependency of claim 31 has been changed by deleting "42" and replacing it with "1".

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The dependency of claim 32 has been changed by deleting "42" and replacing it with "1".

In claim 32 the term "includes" has been deleted and replaced with "is", and the term "and" has been deleted and replaced with "or".

In the 2<sup>nd</sup> line of claim 34 after the term "head", the language "at a pressure of about 1800 psi to 2400 psi" has been inserted.

In the 6<sup>th</sup> line of claim 34 after the term "head", the language "at a pressure of about 1800 psi to 2400 psi" has been inserted.

The dependency of claim 35 has been changed by deleting "47" and replacing it with "34".

The dependency of claim 37 has been changed by deleting "37" and replacing it with "34".

In claim 37 the term "includes" has been deleted and replaced with "is", and the term "and" has been deleted and replaced with "or".

The dependency of claim 43 has been changed by deleting "42" and replacing it with "1".

The dependency of claim 48 has been changed by deleting "47" and replacing it with "34".

In claim 53 the term "includes" has been deleted and replaced with "is", and the term "and" has been deleted and replaced with "or".

The following language has been inserted after the term "1.25" in the last line of claim 56:

" wherein the stream of reactants including the isocyanate-reactive compound is delivered to the mix head at a pressure of about 1800 psi to 2400 psi and wherein the stream of reactants including the isocyanate compound is delivered to the mix head at a pressure of about 1800 psi to 2400 psi " .

The dependency of claim 58 has been changed by deleting "57" and replacing it with "56".

The dependency of claim 60 has been changed by deleting "57" and replacing it with "56".

In claim 62 the term "includes" has been deleted and replaced with "is", and the term "and" has been deleted and replaced with "or".

The dependency of claim 63 has been changed by deleting "57" and replacing it with "56".

The dependency of claim 66 has been changed by deleting "65" and replacing it with "64".

The following **new** claim has been added:

70. The method of claim 64 wherein the blowing agent is n-pentane, isopentane, cyclopentane or mixtures thereof.

Claims 42, 47 & 57 are cancelled.

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: In light of applicants' identification of support for the amendments made to the claims on 8-24-10, rejection under 35 USC 112 1<sup>st</sup> paragraph is overcome. Upon closer consideration, it is seen that the language of the claims with the pressure requirements now included in all

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claims is sufficient to negate any ambiguities in the claim language previously identified in rejections under 35 USC 112 2<sup>nd</sup> paragraph. The methods, as they now stand defined by the claims, are not taught or fairly suggested by the prior art.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

/John Cooney/

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